

COUNCIL CHAMBERS--CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL--CITY OF LODI
May 7, 1934

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order at 8 o'clock P.M. by the Mayor. Councilmen Clark, Keagle, Spooner, Weihe and Steele present. None absent.

The minutes of the regular meetings of April 2 and April 16, 1934 and of the adjourned regular meeting held April 30th, 1934 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

Mr. John V. Thompson addressed the Council in regard to a building being moved into the rear of 113 N. Hutchins Street. Mr. Thompson was informed that the owner intended to remodel the building in such a shape that it would not be an offense to the neighborhood.

The Clerk read a petition asking the City Council to take such steps as they might deem necessary to keep alive pending application numbered 8731 before the Federal Board of Public Works so that any future appropriations might be allotted to the City if the voters should later give their consent. On motion of Councilman Weihe, Spooner second, the City Attorney was authorized and directed to write to the Federal Board of Public Works and ask that the application be kept alive in their files.

The Clerk read the call from the California Sewage Works Association for their annual spring conference to be held in Yosemite Valley May 25th and 26th. No action taken.

The report of the Chief of Police for the month of April and of the City Pound Master for the same period were received, read and ordered filed.

The Mayor then brought up the head of unfinished business and Mr. Glenn West made an oral report as to water levels in Smith's Lake, and as to his negotiations with the Woodbridge Irrigation District.

On motion of Councilman Keagle, Clark second, and carried unanimously, it was moved that it is to the best interest of the City of Lodi to purchase Smith's Lake at the price named by Louis T. Mason provided satisfactory evidence of title is furnished.

Applications for the position of care taker at the Lake should the City acquire the same, were received from Julius Buell, Joseph E. Benton, J. Wagner Sollars, E. J. Eaton and W. L. Davis, and the same were ordered placed on file.

Five building permits for structures to cost \$540.00 were allowed.

On motion of Councilman Weihe, Clark second, the sum of \$30.00 was appropriated for the purpose of benches to be used in Lawrence Park.

Superintendent of Public Utilities, J. M. Henning, stated that the health inspector had reported that the premises of M. Kappas on South School Street were not connected with the sewer and that it would cost about \$160.00 to extend the sewer to these premises.

City Attorney Glenn West then addressed the Board in regard to a report made by Professor Leonard J. Fuller of the University of California and published just prior to the special bond election of April 23d. On motion of Councilman Spooner, Weihe second,

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Resolution No. 716 in this matter was then adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 716

WHEREAS on April 23rd, 1934, a bond election was held in the city of Lodi for the purpose of authorizing said city to issue bonds in the sum of \$820,000.00 wherewith to build a hydro-electric power plant upon the Mokelumne River together with transmission line, transformers and equipment connected therewith; and

WHEREAS a few days prior to said election one, Leonard F. Fuller, Professor of the University of California, wrote a report and whereas it appears that he furnished said report to certain citizens of the City of Lodi, who caused the same to be published in local papers in support of their opposition to said bond election; and

WHEREAS it appears that said bond election failed to receive the necessary two-thirds vote by a small margin; and

WHEREAS it appears that said report signed by said Leonard F. Fuller contains many statements which are opposite to statements and facts furnished to said city by its consulting engineers and by its legal counsel; and

WHEREAS the City Council of said city desires to have said discrepancies clarified;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Attorney of said city is hereby authorized and directed to correspond with said Leonard F. Fuller and request him to furnish definite statements as to where he obtained the facts upon which said discrepancies are based and to the end that said discrepancies may be entirely clarified;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said City Attorney is hereby directed to obtain such information as may be necessary for the purpose of clarifying all discrepancies existing between the said report of said Leonard F. Fuller and all other reports, and the reports furnished by said city's consulting engineers and legal counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and of such correspondence as may be addressed by said City Attorney to said Leonard F. Fuller shall be furnished by said City Attorney to the Board of Regents of the University of the State of California.

The foregoing Resolution No. 716 was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEN	Spooner, Weihe, Clark, Keagle and Steele.
NOES:	COUNCILMEN	None
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEN	None.

The meeting was then thrown open to general discussion from the many persons in attendance. Mr. E. S. Jones read his idea of the proper method of passing a bond issue, and especially as to the dispelling of doubts as to the flow of water that would be necessary for the operation of a power plant in the Mokelumne


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River. Mr. John Mettler, Mr. Roswell Barbour and Mr. Frank A. Henning also addressed the Council both for and against another election on the power plant issue.

Bills in the amount of \$12,380.69 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid on motion of Councilman Clark, Weihe second.

On motion of the Mayor, seconded by Councilman Weihe, the Council then adjourned to the day and hour of its next regular meeting.

Attest:


City Clerk.

The foregoing minutes of
of the regular meeting of
the City Council of the City of
Lodi were read and approved
without correction at a sub-
sequent regular meeting held
May 21, 1934.


Mayor of the City of Lodi

May 21, 1934.